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"RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116-
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING
GROUP 1621"

Docket No. 213301US0PCT
IN RE APPLICATION OF: Heiko MAAS, et al.
SERIAL NO: 09/926,168
FILED: September 18, 2001
FOR: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF SURFACTANT ALCOHOLS AND SURFACTANT ALCOHOL
ETHERS, THE PREPARED PRODUCTS AND THEIR USE

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Transmitted herewith is an **amendment and request for reconsideration** in the above-identified application.

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Responsive to the Office Action of November 2, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Basis for the Amendment begins on page 4 of this paper.

Request for Reconsideration begins on page 5 of this paper.